

Region 1 Issues RCRA 7003 Order to Manchester, NH Property Owner to Cleanup Lead Contamination

On June 19, 2015, Region 1 issued an order pursuant to Section 7003 of RCRA to Brady Sullivan Properties, LLC, for the cleanup of dust and paint chips containing high levels of lead in residential apartments, common areas and offices in a mixed-use complex Brady Sullivan owns and manages in Manchester, NH. The order was issued after dust containing high levels of lead were detected in common areas and residences in the complex, as the result of a sandblasting operation that was being conducted in the building. The sandblasting operation occurred in an empty space on the first floor of the building that is in the process of being converted into apartments. Because the operation was not properly contained, lead dust spread to common areas, and residences on the third and fourth floors. Children and at least one pregnant woman reside in the building. In addition, dust containing lead was found in an office in the complex maintained by the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (NH DHHS). The building, constructed in 1889, was originally a cotton mill. Brady Sullivan began cleanup of the property prior to the issuance of the 7003 order. Region 1 has been working closely with NH DHHS and the City of Manchester on this matter.

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